

## **News Release**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Truck Width Restrictions for State Route 70

Redding – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has implemented truck width and length restrictions on State Route 70 due to a series of bridge rehabilitation projects in the Feather River Canyon in Butte and Plumas counties. Due to work on the \$23 million project that will rehabilitate five historic bridges, restrictions have been placed at the Pulga Bridge and the Storrie Bridge.

Current restrictions prohibit all tractor semis over 65 feet in length and all tractor trailer combinations (doubles) over 75 feet in total length from through travel on SR 70 in the Feather River Canyon. A width restriction prohibits any vehicle or load wider than 8 feet 6 inches from passage through the construction zone. Concrete barriers placed on the bridges to provide protection for workers along with the curvature of the Pulga Bridge have reduced the tracking capability of large trucks.

Recreational vehicle users are asked to be alert to the reduced widths and to drive with care when traveling through the area. The roadway will have a reduced width of nine feet and 10 inches for normal vehicle traffic. The California Highway Patrol will be screening vehicles and alerting travelers to the narrow conditions ahead from both sides of the construction zone.

Permit or oversize loads will be rerouted by Caltrans to avoid any conflicts. Alternative routes are available for those motorists who may have concerns about traveling through the Feather River Canyon, as the restrictions will be in place for the major part of the summer construction season.

Signs for Highway Advisory Radios (HARS) located at the junction of SR 70/191, north of Oroville, and at the junction of SR 70/89, the Greenville Wye, will alert motorists to tune their radios to either 1580 AM or 1610 AM for a recorded informational message.

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